"The South 40"

by JAMES A. SMITH
EXTENSION AGENT

We are right on top of corn planting time, but it's still not to late to point out that you could expect a reduced yield if the soil pH is 6.0 or lower. Remember any soil with pH 6.0 or below which will receive 100 pounds of nitrogen or more per acre is potential trouble.

This year 33 soil samples have been submitted for corn; 16 of these were 6.0 or below. Put another way 48% of all soil samples submitted for corn require the addition of lime-stone.

If your corn land has not been limed in the past 4 to 5 years if it may be money in your pocket to have limed before planting this year.

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The Appomattox Cattlemen's Association will meet Monday evening, April 21, 7:30 p.m. at the District Extension Office on Main Street. All county beef cattle producers are invited to participate in this groups' activities.

K. C. Williamson, Extension Specialist, Cattle Marketing, will be the speaker.

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The Virginia Division of Forestry reports that losses in Virginia from Southern Pine Beetles were 1.7 million dollars in 1974; up from 1.3 million in 1973.

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1045 steers and 551 heifers were sold through the first feeder cattle sale in Lynchburg last Thursday. Prices were higher than most cattlemen expected. The heavier steers commanded the higher dollar. The top selling steers were $35.75 per cwt. and averaged $32.16. Top heifer brought $26.75 per cwt. and averaged $22.38.

The next sale is on April 24. There are about 1300 head consigned to this sale. If you have some to sell, they can be added.

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If converted into paper, the volume of timber killed in the U.S. in 1970 by insects, disease, wind and fire would have been 50 percent greater than the volume of paper shipped by all U.S. mills that year.

A professor at Stanford has suggested that instead of eating a couple of "sunnyside ups" we should eat fried termites. Fried termites have three times the protein content of eggs and smoked caterpillar contains six times the protein content of eggs.

Some societies enjoy these morsels in their daily diets. Will future generations recite an old adage "A bug a day keeps the doctor away"?

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In 1974 West Germany and Japan were the major importers of U.S. Flue tobacco.

1974 was the second billion dollar flue-cured crop ever produced in the U.S. Stabilization received only 23 million pounds or 1.8 percent of the crop.

After three years of testing by the German Ministry of Health, the German government has given the green light for commercial sales of cigarettes containing cytrel, a synthetic tobacco. Two manufacturers have launched two brands, one containing 20 percent Cytrel and the other 25 percent. It will probably be 1975 before the consumers' reaction can be determined.

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Last year U. S. Consumers spent an estimated $14 billion on tobacco products, of which about $5.8 billion were received by Federal, state and local governments as excise tax revenue. Taxes represent 40 percent of consumer expenditure for tobacco products and are about four times the amount U.S. farmers receive from tobacco sales.

About 600,000 farm families depend on for most or a significant part of their livelihood from tobacco. Only 0.3 percent of the nation's cropland is used for tobacco production, but tobacco ranks in the top five of most valuable crops. To produce and market an acre of tobacco requires about 300 man-hours.

PRECIPITATION

Last Week	.70
This Month	1.04
This Year	23.53

Stonewall

"The earth is the Lord's." Psalms 24:1

Mrs. Dennis Moore is in the hospital and doing nicely since undergoing surgery on Thursday. May God's blessing be on her and she will have a speedy recovery.

Those that visited Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler Sunday were Mrs. Booker, Miss Jordan, Ronnie and Richard Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Wheeler visited Mrs. Hazel Gallispie Friday night.

A lot of us got our gardens started last week.

The high winds got part of the roof off of Nina Caldwell's home. No other damage was done in this section.

Mrs. J. B. Ewers went to Richmond last Thursday and the doctors tell her to be on call to have an eye transplant. She will be so glad to get it over with.

Mr. J. B. Ewers is able to drive his car now.

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Modeling clothes they made, left to right above, were Kathy Johnson, Penny Elliott, Beth Carter, Faith. Vaughn, and Donna Cawthorne.

At the Jr. FHA Fashion Show held last week, some of the models were, left to right, Mary Dyess, Carmilla Barnes, Cherly Elliott, and Carol Carson.

Jr. FHA Has Fashion Show

Have you observed the high cost of clothes lately? You've probably been disturbed by this problem as we the Appomattox Junior Future Homemakers of America have been.

Instead of sitting around talking about the problem, we the Junior FHA members decided to get up and do something about it. The way we decided to cope with this problem was to make our own clothes. Each girl picked out her material, pattern and other accessories. The girls were responsible for making two garments in class and one at home. Now all the hard work seemed worth while as the girls presented a garment of their choice in a Fashion Show at the monthly meeting of the Junior FHA.

We would like to thank Mrs. N. Hamlett, student teacher from Longwood College, Mrs. L. Green and Mrs. V. Elliott, Home Economics teachers, for their assistance.

Pam Smith, Reporter

Tops News

Barbara Mayberry, Reporter

TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) held its weekly meeting April 7, 1975 at the Plaza Farmers National Bank.

The new officers for the coming year took office. They are Doris Nash, Leader; Nancy Jamerson, Co-Leader; Mrytle White, Treasurer; Phyllis Smith, Secretary; and Barbara Mayberry, Reporter. Appointed to office are Thelma Litchford, Cheer Lady; Pam Watson, Hospitality Lady; Janice McCormick, Jewelry Secretary; Deborah Ayers, Assistant Weight Recorder.

The new leader, Doris Nash, led the members in a candle lighting rededication ceremony.

Thelma Knight then gave the monthly report on those TOPS members who were to receive awards. Rosemary Luciano was crowned Chapter Queen for the month of March and received a crown charm. Runner-up Bonnie Eldridge received a silver dollar. Other members receiving jewelry were Judy Carter, Myrtle White, Carolyn Chambers, Ted Carter, Barbara Mayberry, Bobbie Mullins, Janice McCormick, Sue Perdue, and Diane Waldo.

The club as a whole lost a total of 33¼ pounds for the week. Kirkie Hamlin had the best weight loss.

Two new members joined TOPS, and they are Lana Temple and Cindy Almond. TOPS wishes them much success.

Pam Watson received a certificate form TOPS for reaching KOPS status, which means she has reached her goal and maintained her weight for three months.

TOPS wishes to encourage anyone with a weight problem to come and visit next Monday night. There is no obligation to join. The weighing in begins at 7 o'clock.

Four Generations Together

Getting together recently were Mrs. Irvin C. Moses of Appomattox, her daughter, Mrs. Emma R. Garrett, her grandson, Bobby C. Garrett, and her great grandson, Jeffrie. They were celebrating Jeffrie's birthday who was four years old on March 30th. Families getting together is always a nice affair.

Delegate Elliott To Seek ReElection

Richard W. Elliott

RUSTBURG - Delegate Richard W. Elliott, Democrat, Campbell County, has announced that he will seek reelection for a third term to the Virginia House of Delegates from the Twelfth Legislative District which includes the County of Campbell and the Towns of Altavista & Brookneal. Elliott will file his declaration of candidacy subject to the Democratic Primary with Campbell County Democratic Chairman, Dr. Stephen L. Thompson of Rustburg before the April 11 deadline.

A former House page, the young Elliott, who is an attorney and a farmer, has received some of the most prestigious committee assignments offered at the State Capitol and has risen in seniority on the prestigious Agriculture Committee and Courts of Justice Committee. Elliott also serves on the Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Claims Committee, he is Vice-Chairman of a study committee on Probate of Wills and Administration of Estates, a member of the Milk Commission Study Commission and the Virginia Advisory Legislative Council Study of Drug and Alcohol Abuse Programs.

A graduate of the University of Richmond, Elliott received his law degree from the University of Virginia. He is married to the former Patricia Carroll Davis of Newport News and they have a young son, Carrington Wyatt, age 1½. Elliott practices law in Rustburg and they live at Winfall Farm south of Rustburg.

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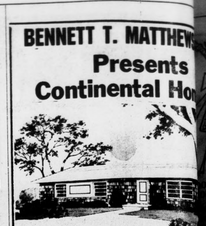

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The kind that helps them meet the constantly rising costs of agri-business. (Like nitrogen, that's gone from 10¢ to 30¢ a pound.) As well as helping them deal with its constantly fluctuating (and sometimes marginal) rewards.

The problem is that with agriculture getting to be a tougher business than ever these days, this kind of credit is getting tougher than ever to find.

For one thing, "crop time credit" is practically gone and probably won't be with us again anytime soon. What's more, not enough banks seem to understand farming, its problems and its promise well enough to take up the slack.

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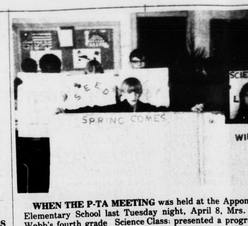

WHEN THE P-TA MEETING was held at the Appomattox Elementary School last Tuesday night, April 8, Mrs. J. C. Webb's fourth grade Science Class presented a program on "Living Things". It was enjoyed by all attending the meeting.

become increasingly popular, too.

Paint and paper manufacturers supply brochures in which ideas on how to coordinate colors are included. Some wall coverings are available with fabric to match, so that curtains, draperies, bedspreads or accessories can be made to enhance and coordinate with paint and paper.

Save money by sewing other items, too. Choose a suitable fabric and sew bright coverings for throw pillows; frame a geometric or floral piece of fabric for an original painting; cover books on sheves, window shades and ledges or table tops to go with the motif.

Besides earthy shades and patterns, designers suggest greenery to add life to a room. Hang or arrange potted plants. Color and coziness seem to come from just a few varieties. Paint or fabricate pots and planters for additional conversation pieces.

When shopping, get swatches or samples of paint and material and carry these with you to help mix, match and coordinate.

Along with budget saving, remember energy saving -- yours! A room, and your disposition, will remain brighter longer if initial choices of paint, wall coverings and fabrics are washable. Read care instructions on all purchases before buying so that decor can be tossed in the washer or suds-scrubbed with a sponge.

Your new room's appeal will last and last until the next splurge of springtime if you choose wisely and plan ahead now.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK
Pineapple-Coconut Pie

3 cups sugar
5 eggs, beaten slightly
2 tablespoons flour
1 No. 2 can crushed pineapple
1 cup coconut
¼ cup margarine, melted

Add sugar to eggs. Add flour, pineapple, coconut and margarine; mix well. Pour into 2 pie crusts. Bake at 350 degrees 45 minutes or until firm.

Oakville

Mrs. W. T. Drawer and children, of Newport News, visited Mrs. William Burcher and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Coleman on Saturday.

Visitors in the home of Mrs. Maggie Gardner and Ethel last week were Mr. and Mrs. Binford Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Moore, Mrs. Wiley Moore, Mrs. James Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Covington and Jane Russell. Sunday guests in the Gardner home were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Gardner and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Almond.

Mr. Richard Martin, of Covington, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Martin, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Martin gave a surprise birthday dinner Sunday honoring Mrs. Graydon Martin. Dinner guests were Mr. Graydon Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Mason Banton, Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard Moore, Mrs. Anthony Casado, Mr. Gregg Martin and Mr. and Mrs. Randy Foster and Matthew.

Master Wes Martin of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Otho Martin, Jr. for two weeks. Their son, James W. Martin, who is associated with the Lane Company is in High Point, N.C., for the Furniture Show and will be joining his family here next week.

Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Marshall were Mrs. Margaret Marshall and Mr. and Mrs. Malcomb Jordan and Lorie.

Mrs. Annie Walker Harding and Mrs. Eva Marsh visited in the home of Mrs. Maggie Gardner and Ethel Monday afternoon.

Miss Kathy Marshall spent Friday night in Farmville with Miss Cindy Guthrie and attended the festivities at Longwood College on Saturday.

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FHA Girl of The Month

Janice Giles was recently chosen as girl of the month for April. She has been a most active and outstanding member for the Appomattox Senior Chapter Future Homemakers of America.

In this year's activities she has attended and participated in chapter and federation meetings, bake sales, fashion shows, and worked on various floats. She assisted in school assemblies, teas for the faculty, and has attended joint functions with other vocational clubs.

She is presently working toward her State Degree in which she did special projects. She visited a Special Education Class at the Elementary School for Valentine Day and helped raise money for the town children's park.

She is a member of the Welfare Committee. Degrees committee, Homecming Float committee, and served as co-chairman of Vocational Education Week committee in which she worked very hard and took the responsibility of seeing that all the week's activities were carried out.

Janice, who is presently serving as chapter treasurer, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen T. Giles of Appomattox.

Revival To Begin April 25

There will be a week-end Revival at Union Baptist Church, Buckingham, beginning April 25 and concluding April 27. Services will begin nightly at 7:45 p.m.

Rev. Alfred Landers, Assotional Missionary for 20 years in the Concord-Tallapoosa Associations. Austell, Georgia, will be preaching.

Rev. H. O. Tench, pastor of the church, extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend these services.

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